

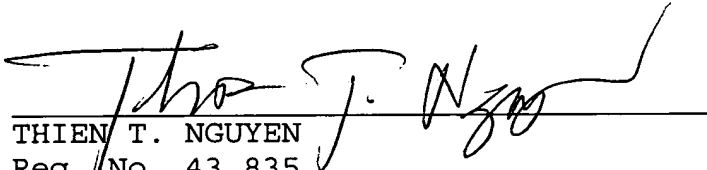
REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to approve the changes to the amended Figure 18. The proposed changes to Figure 18 are fully supported by the specification as described on page 31-32 of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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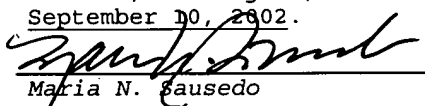
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